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TENTATIVE AGENDA

December 5, 2013
8:00 a.m.
State Capitol, Room 102

Please note All times are tentative. Some items may take more or less time than scheduled.

- 8:00 a.m. Call to Order -- Roll Call -- Presiding Officer Representative Margie MacDonald
- 8:05 a.m. Agency Oversight -- Administrative Rule Review and Required Reports
- Julianne Burkhardt, Staff Attorney, Legislative Services Division (LSD)
 - Rachel Weiss, Research Analyst, LSD
 - Public comment
 - Questions from the committee
- 8:15 a.m. SJ 3 Study: Staff Update on Information Requests from September Meeting
- Administrative rule authority of Board of Pardons and Parole (BOPP) -- Julianne Burkhardt
 - Court case review/legal background -- Julianne Burkhardt
 - Montana quasi-judicial board structure -- Rachel Weiss
 - Parole board structures and policies in other states -- Rachel Weiss
 - Public comment
 - Questions from the committee
- 9:00 a.m. SJ 3: Jail Diversion and Community Support for People in the Criminal Justice System -- Billings and Bozeman areas
- Terry Jessee, MS LCPC, Billings Clinic Behavioral Health/Yellowstone County Detention Facility
 - MarCee Neary, Director, Billings Community Crisis Center
 - Gallatin County speakers
 - Public comment
 - Questions from the committee
- 10:00 a.m. Break

- 10:15 a.m. SJ 3 Study: Identifying Potential Areas for Change or Reform
Panel 1: Legal Perspectives
 → Robert L. Stephens, Jr., Billings attorney
 → Ronald F. Waterman, Helena attorney (*tentative*)
 → County Attorney (TBD)
 → Questions from the committee
- 11:00 a.m. Panel 2: Community Service Providers and Organizations
 → Moe Wosepka, Director, Montana Catholic Conference
 → Larry Gaalswyk, Executive Director, T.E.A.M. Mentoring (Billings)
 → Questions from the committee
- 11:30 a.m. Panel 3: Additional Perspectives
 → Mr. Chris Christiaens
 → Mr. Greg Hinkle, former State Senator
 → Mr. Steve Cape, Montana Coalition for Safety and Justice
 → Questions from the committee
- 12:15 p.m. Public comment on the previous panel discussions
- 12:45 p.m. Lunch
- 1:30 p.m. SJ 22 Study: Overview of the Standing Committee on Self-Represented Litigants (formed by the Access to Justice Commission established by the Montana Supreme Court)
 → the Honorable Michele Snowberger, Belgrade City Court Judge and Committee Presiding Officer
 → Public comment
 → Questions from the committee
- 2:00 p.m. SJ 22 Study: Litigants' Perspectives on Family Law in Montana
 → mix of pro se litigants and represented litigants (TBD)
 → Public comment
 → Questions from the committee
- 2:45 p.m. SJ 22 Study: Parenting Guidelines in Montana
 → P. Mars Scott, Missoula attorney and Chairperson of the Family Law Section of the State Bar of Montana
 → Judge Snowberger
 → Public comment
 → Questions from the committee
- 3:30 p.m. Break
- 3:45 p.m. Public comment on any topic within the committee's jurisdiction but not on this agenda

- 4:00 p.m. Committee Work Session
- SJ 3 study: Review of work plan for next meeting; request additional information or suggest topics for next meeting?
 - SJ 22 study: Review of work plan for next meeting; request additional information or suggest topics for next meeting?
 - Member issues to include in future agendas?
 - Additional directions to staff?
 - Next meeting: February 13-14, 2014 (Thursday/Friday)
- 4:30 p.m. Adjourn

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